

Mellon Urged to Oust Haynes for 'Misusing' Mails

Congressman Hill, of Maryland, Charges Dry Chief Is Franking Anti-Saloon League's Political Attacks

"Propaganda" Assailed

Repeats Accusation That Prohibition Head Has 'Approved of Lynch Law'

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—Representative Hill, Republican, of Maryland, today addressed a letter to Secretary Mellon requesting the immediate removal of Federal Prohibition Commissioner Haynes, who, Mr. Hill charged, "engaged in defrauding the United States government in that he is using and causing to be used the official mail of the Treasury Department for the sending out of personal political propaganda in the interest of himself and his associates, the Anti-Saloon League."

In support of his charge Representative Hill said in a letter to the Secretary that Commissioner Haynes "has been sending under mail franks" a bulletin under the title of "Information Bureau, prohibition unit, immediate release," dated August 21, containing an interview in which the Commissioner discussed the enforcement of the prohibition amendment. In the statement the Commissioner is quoted as saying "there never was greater necessity for all law-abiding forces to get together and candidates who have come out wholly on the side of law and order should have the fullest support at the polls."

Charges Personal Attack

Explaining that he is a candidate for re-election, Mr. Hill asserted in the letter that "Prohibition Commissioner Haynes is using money derived from the taxes of which I personally pay a part for a personal propaganda against me, and those who, in accordance with our sworn duty, are advocating a modification of the absurd and tyrannical Volstead act."

The letter further charged that Commissioner Haynes was "neglecting the business of his office and making stump speeches in favor of himself and the Anti-Saloon League throughout the United States."

In asking Secretary Mellon to give personal attention to the letter, he directed his attention to charges against the commissioner which he stated he had made last May 15, and which he said had not been acted upon. He asserted that his former charge against the commissioner was that he had given "official approval of the application of lynch law to the suppression of liquor violations, in that he officially issued and approved" a bulletin issued by his office on May 8, in which among other statements was one by Judge A. J. Curren, at Pittsburg, Kan., in sentencing a violator of the prohibition law that "if any more violations are reported in your home I will order the house burned."

To Offer Other Charges

Representative Hill also said that on May 29 he called Secretary Mellon's attention to a remark Commissioner Haynes was reported to have made May 11 at Louisville, Ky., to the effect that "shooting on the public highways is a trivial matter compared with the vast task of enforcing the national prohibition laws."

The Maryland representative told Secretary Mellon that he had "other charges and evidence of incompetency" against Commissioner Haynes which he would be glad to present "as a justification for my renewed request for his removal."

Sheriff Finds Rum Stock Adds to His Popularity

But John Wagner, of Queens, Has to Destroy It, to His Sorrow

Sheriff John Wagner of Queens has been in the habit of estimating his popularity by the number of votes he could command at an election. He won the last election, but he said yesterday that he never knew what popularity really meant until County Judge Burt J. Humphrey made him sole custodian of 800 gallons of alcohol, 200 gallons of wine and much other liquor. "Like Abou ben Adhem, my tribe has increased," said the genial Sheriff yesterday. "My friends are legion, you might say. They gather around me in hearty and boisterous numbers and gradually lead up to the subject of liquid refreshment. It breaks my

Harding Keeps Hands Off Rail Negotiations

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—President Harding, although hopeful of success for the New York rail strike settlement conference, was said at the White House today to be unready to take any further steps than those stated in his recent address to Congress.

The declaration to Congress that the laws would be enforced and the rights of workers to enter railroad service guaranteed, it was added, will remain as the final government statement until there is a change in the situation.

The Cabinet devoted most of its session today to a discussion of the rail strike situation. After the meeting was over it was said authoritatively that no additional steps were decided on, and the government had no confidential reports as to the attitude of the parties in the negotiations being conducted in New York between the executives and leaders of the train service brotherhoods.

heart that I am unable to wet them all down like they had stood under a fire hose—but there, now, is my oath of office."

Besides the oath of office there is a court order instructing the Sheriff to destroy the wet goods. Much of the liquor is not fit for human consumption, but some of it is, and the Sheriff has prevailed upon the court to permit him to stock up some hospitals in Queens. If the Sheriff's friends want it badly enough to go to the hospital for it, the Sheriff admits he will not be so inconsiderate as to stand in their way.

Writ Planned to Deny Faction Party Funds

Independent Republicans Hope to Invoke 1920 Law in Coming Primary

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE TRIBUNE
ALBANY, Aug. 22.—Independent Republicans of Albany County are drawing an application for an injunction to restrain the regulars from using headquarters, party funds, workers or material paid for out of party funds in the primary contest between the factions.

The application will be made, according to independent leaders, under Section 19 of the election law passed by the Legislature in 1920. It provides that no money raised for party purposes "shall be expended in aid of the designation or nomination of any person to be voted for at the primary election, either as a candidate for nomination for public office or for any party position."

The law states specifically that its provisions cover money "or the equivalent thereof."

Alvin C. Quentel, an independent leader, declared the law might mean that regular organizations might have to leave headquarters, give the paid workers a vacation, and form separate campaign committees from the regular committee organizations, before undertaking a fight against insurgent groups. It is the first time, Quentel said, that the law has been invoked. If this be true, it was pointed out, it would mean that insurgent candidates could tie up the regular organization funds.

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Atlantic City last Sunday night, and James Forbes's "The Endless Chain," presented at the Lyceum Theater, Rochester, on Monday night last by A. L. Erlanger.

Miss Frederick is making her first appearance on the legitimate stage after an absence of eight years, and it is A. H. Woods's intention to present her in New York sometime in September.

"The Exciters" will be seen here early next month, while "The Endless Chain," in which Margaret Lawrence has the leading role, opens at the George M. Cohan Theater Labor Day.

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